



Holiday Greetings



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## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Hams and turkeys will be given the employees for their Christmas dinner as they were last year. The gifts will be ready when you get off shift the 20th of December so make arrangements to store the items.

We hope you have the best Christmas dinner ever.



## HOLIDAY SHUTDOWN

The third week of vacation will be taken during Christmas week. This is a paid vacation for employees with ten years service or more. The plants and woods will be down one day only for New Years . . . New Years Day.

The plants will close at the end of the shifts on December 20th and will resume operations on December 30th.



## WEDDING BELLS

That tinkling of bells you heard last month was not Christmas Bells ringing early . . . it was coming from Reno which was a popular place for weddings of the plywood plant employees.

On November 15th, Richard Lorton and Stephanie Weber were married in Reno. They will make their home in Talent.

A double header was played by Howard Sinks who was married to La-Dawna Kridler and Tom Gray who was married to Ethel Cantrall on November 30th. at Reno.

Howard Sinks and his bride are both graduates of the Medford schools and will be making their home in Medford.

Mr. & Mrs. Gray will be living at Ruch where Tom has built a new home.



## A Christmas Wish

*Nearly two thousand years ago, word was joyously passed throughout the country side by one shepherd to another that Christ Our Savior, was born. It was a time for great celebration of a day that had been predicted—the Greatest Day of THE Time, Christ Day, that has ever since been respected and revered as Christmas, December 25, and which has and will always continue to be the Greatest Day of ALL Time.*

*This day will soon be here and each of us is planning in our individual way, subconsciously if not consciously, just how we will observe Christ's birth. There will be house decorations, fires in fireplaces, toys scattered here and there, gifts of all kinds, friends and relatives gathered around and a Christmas dinner—all in accordance with our desires and means but none-the-less enjoyable.*

*Beneath all of this Joy, we will realize that we are really paying homage to Jesus Christ, Our Lord, in our humble and earthly way, by offering Thanks for all the Bountiful Blessings that have been ours this year.*

*So during this Holiday Season, we sincerely wish that you enjoy a Very Merry Christmas and that you will be blessed with Good Health and Happiness throughout all of 1964.*



The new Caterpillar 977 Traxcavator equipped with log forks is doing an excellent job on the landing.

## MARKET NEWS

Sales are normally slow this time of year since the buyers are holding back just before their January 1st inventory. Orders from the East Coast should come in soon as delivery would be made well after the first of the year. Unless the weather improves in the midwest, we can expect little action from that area. Heavy snows and bitter cold do little to encourage builders starting new jobs and naturally we are dependent on those jobs.

Generally the market is slow and low, but it is hoped it will improve soon after January 1st.



C. A. Poe receives his certificate of membership in the "Wise Owl" club and also a lapel pin from Chan Drew, safety supervisor. This membership is automatic from the recent incident in which Poe's sight was saved because he was wearing safety glasses.





## GREEN CHAIN AND DRYER OPERATIONS

### DRYERS

Following the veneer through its various steps of manufacture to the finished plywood panel takes us from the clippers where we left off last month to the green chain for the sorting and stacking of the green veneer.

On the day shift of the green chain is Gerald Malone, Gary Sahlberg, Glen Wann, Adrian Barge, Loren Glenn, Dennis Hemingway, Dace Maddox, Don Miller, Lewis Parker, Raymond Craft, Wayne Clymer, Marvin Jahnke, Junior Minton, Paul Minton, Galen Clifford, James Jenkins and Samuel Morris. These men work on both the 10 ft. and the 8 ft. lathes. Jitney drivers responsible for moving the units of green veneer away from the chain and spotting for storage or for the dryers are Oscar Haugen and Wilton Johnson.

Day shift chipper operator and cleanup man is Wayne Wyatt. Another important job we did not mention in the last issue on the lathes is the filing room. Stan Sheldon is filer and his helper is James Calhoun (no relation to "Haystack").

Swing shift on the green veneer chain sees the following men coming to work: LeMoine Bittinger, Clinton Whitney, William Chase, Mike Hincks, Steve Jensen, Ronald Meade, Alford Johnson, Clyde Pope and Randall Nielsen. Driving the jitney on this shift is Elvon Roudebush. Operating the clipper and doing cleanup on this shift is Larry Rusho.

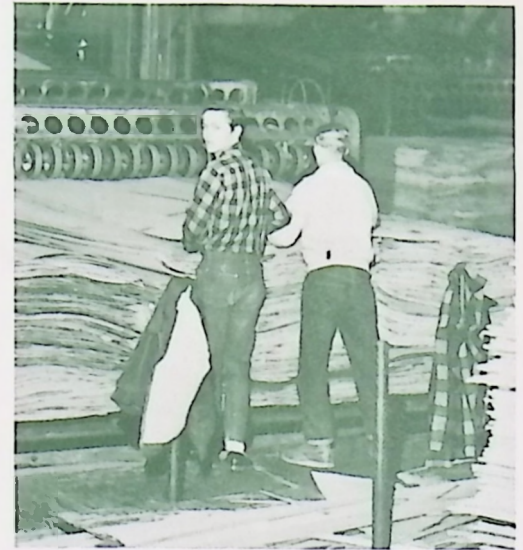
Swing shift green end foreman is Frank Lofvendahl who looks after the entire green end operation.

Starting with the forgotten men . . . the graveyard shift which the editor visited at 1 a.m., we have dryer tender Steve Hill, floorman Teddy Roy and jitney driver Arnold Arens in jobs moving about the area. Grading on the tables are Charles Anderson, Gerald Armstrong, Floyd Hugoboom, Gerald Glossop, Ray Sherril, John Weaver and Robert Hodson. Filling in as extra men are Larry Root and Lloyd Wright. Feeding the dryers on this shift we have Carl Wilson, Herman Hunt and James Hogue.

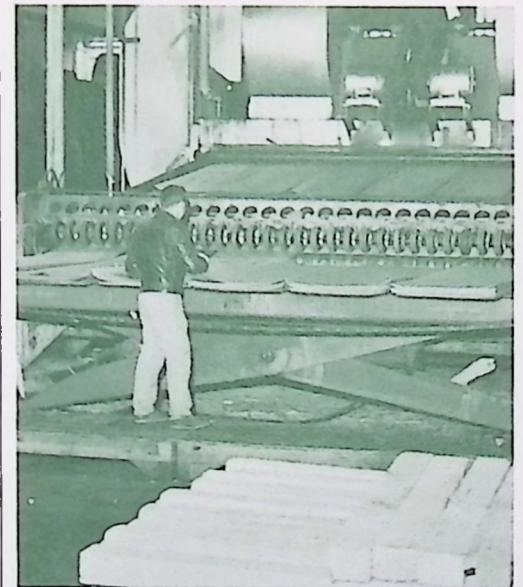
The swing shift brings Robert Jensen as dryer tender, Donald Baker as floorman and Wesley Davis as the extra man. Gerald Johnson, Roger Beagley and Ruben Strong are the dryer feeders. On the grading tables are James Armstrong, Eugene Plunk, Jess Sawyer, Claudie Turley, Robert Hurd, Roger Schroeder and Dwight Glenn.

The day shift on the dryers has Emil Ciatti as the dryer tender, Cecil Henson as floorman and Larry Dolan is the extra man. Teddy Boren, Richard Decker, Everett Jacobsen, Donald Gren, Floyd Linhart, Erwin May and James Pope are the graders. The dryer feeders are Richard Lorton, Donald Lucier and Lewis Warren.

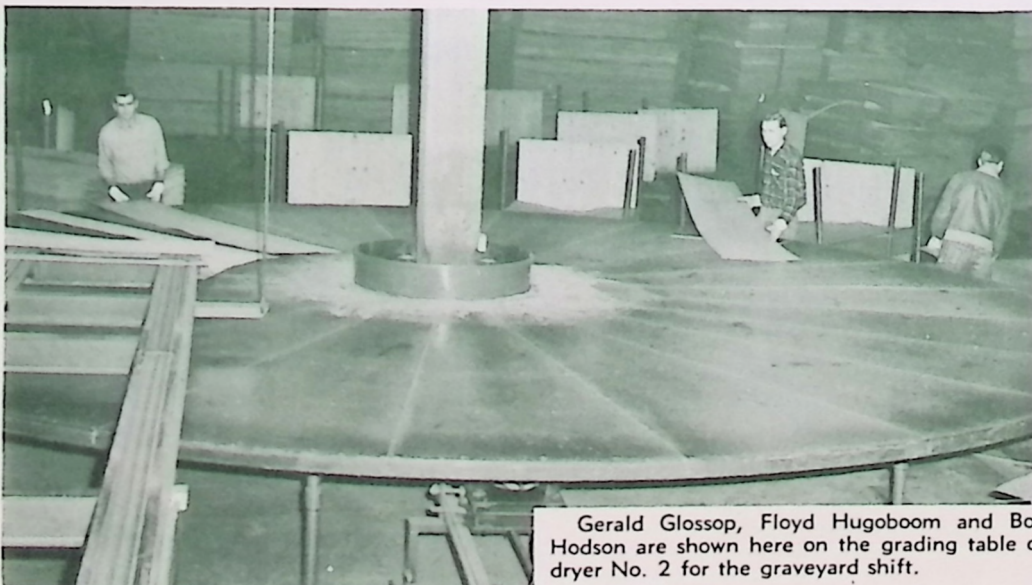
The editor would like to express his appreciation to Elmer Johnson for his fine cooperation in helping to round up all the names and try to get them attached to the right men in the right jobs . . . thanks, Elmer.



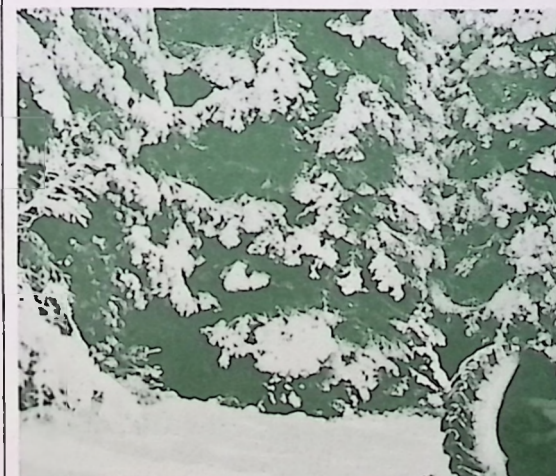
Carl Wilson and Lloyd Wright team up on some rough stuff which is going through the dryer for the second time. This is dryer No. 2 on the graveyard shift.



Herman Hunt is shown feeding dryer No. 1 on the graveyard shift.

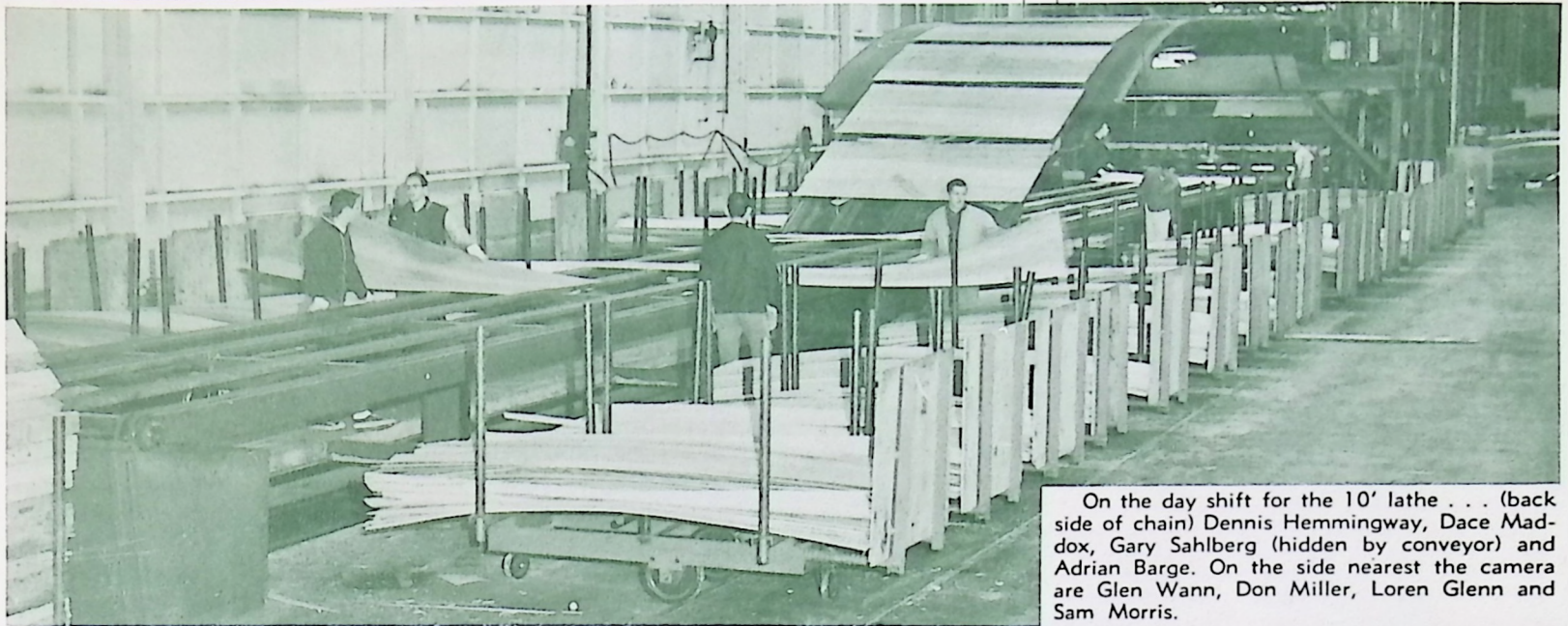


Gerald Glossop, Floyd Hugoboom and Bob Hodson are shown here on the grading table of dryer No. 2 for the graveyard shift.

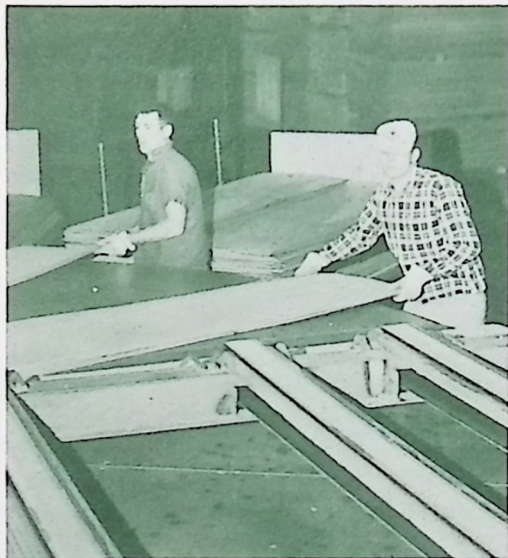


The new Model 12 Caterpillar road grader is doing a fine job of keeping roads in top condition despite the snow and thaws. Operator Fred Rambo says the new machine is a real pleasure to operate.

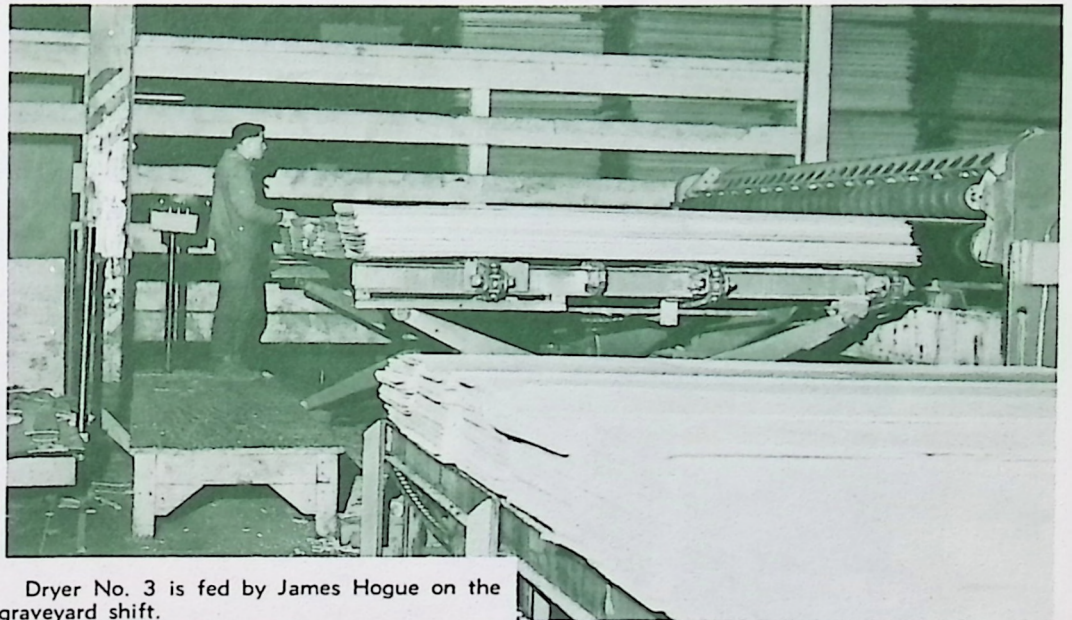




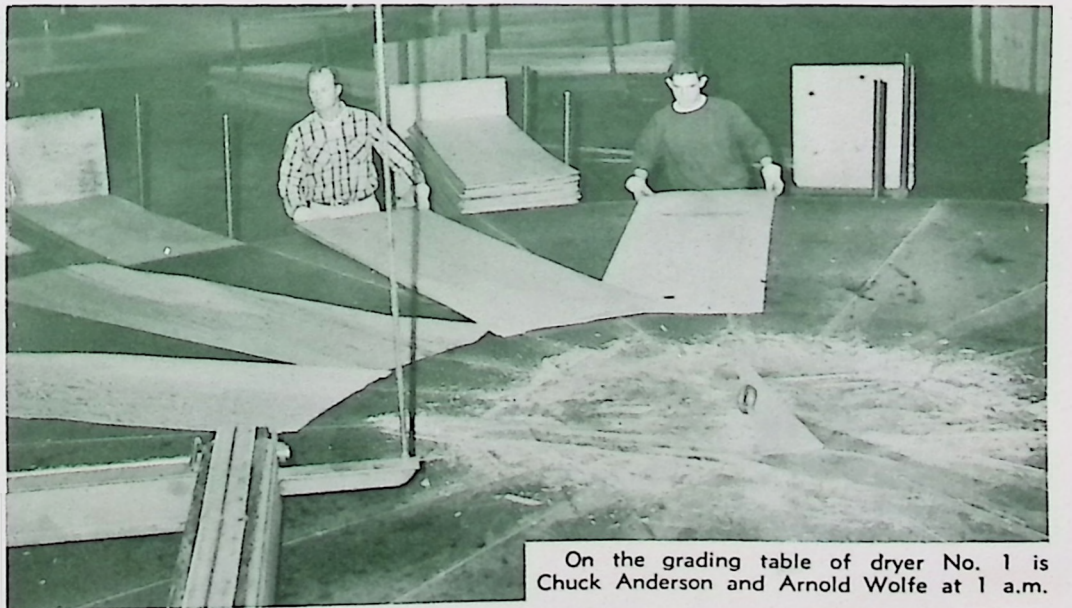
On the day shift for the 10' lathe . . . (back side of chain) Dennis Hemmingway, Dace Maddox, Gary Sahlberg (hidden by conveyor) and Adrian Barge. On the side nearest the camera are Glen Wann, Don Miller, Loren Glenn and Sam Morris.



The wee hours of the morning find John Weaver and Larry Root working the grading table from dryer No. 3.

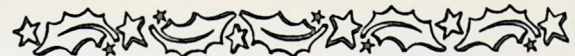
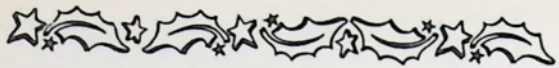


Dryer No. 3 is fed by James Hogue on the graveyard shift.



On the grading table of dryer No. 1 is Chuck Anderson and Arnold Wolfe at 1 a.m.





## CREDIT UNION NEWS

The annual meeting will be held January 26th at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Medford.

Many things enter into the working of a successful Credit Union. Most important is the company with which the Credit Union is operating. We are fortunate to have the full cooperation of Medford Corporation. The company has done much to help your Credit Union grow. They gave us the office space we needed right here on the plant property and had a telephone installed in this office, all at no cost to the Credit Union. Mr. Nutting and Mr. Hogue authorized payroll deductions to encourage saving by members. With the help of both the company and the employees, your Credit Union will continue to grow and provide a valuable service to members.

During this Holiday Season, the officers of the Medco Credit Union wish to extend our best wishes to all employees and to company management.

The information committee, Frank Douglas, George Miller and Walt Craig who were appointed by the Credit Union Board of Directors welcome your questions which will be answered in this column.

- Q.—When are dividends paid and how is the rate determined?
- A.—Dividends are paid on December 31st after the Board of Directors have determined the rate from the financial statement showing the amount of money available for payment of dividends.

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## NEW BABIES

Three of the plywood plant men been thinking about the income tax deadline . . . three new deductions in November.

November 10th was the arrival date for little Jeffrey Allen Read at the home of Rodney and Karen Read. The newcomer weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. on arrival and has one older sister.

Jeanie and Adrian Barge announced the arrival of a son on November 27. The little fellow was named Dean Byron and weighed in at 8 lbs. 3 oz. at Rogue Valley Hospital.

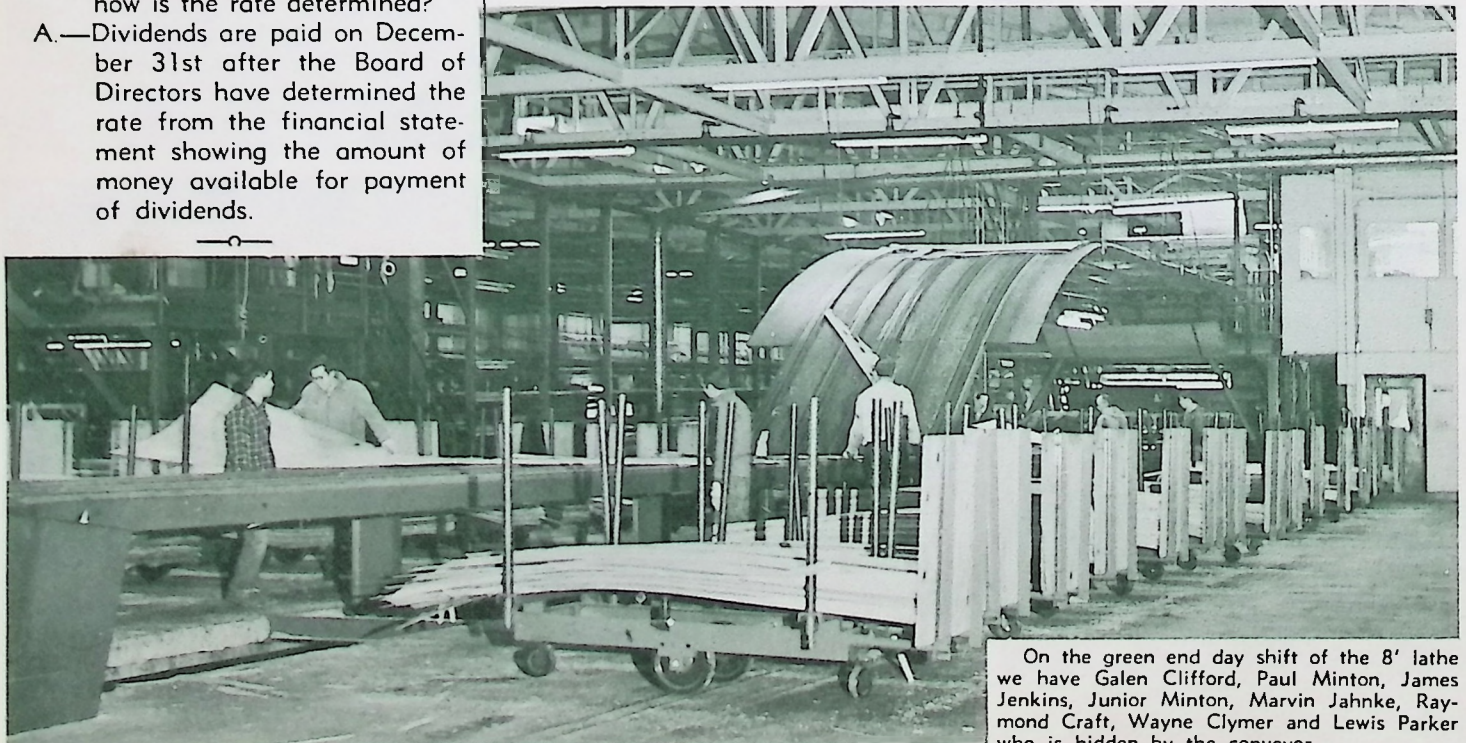
Thanksgiving Day was the arrival date for little Kathleen Suzanne Wyatt. The young lady will be at home with Earlene and Wayne Wyatt. She arrived at 7 lbs. 4 oz. and has an older brother named Charles.

## FROM THE WOODS

The changes listed in the October issue have been made and the Washington Trakloader has moved to the Desert Pond and will be used in conjunction with the Northwest Model 80D for loading out of storage when weather conditions make it impractical for woods operations.

The Washington Trakloader has been replaced in the woods with a new Caterpillar 977 Traxcavator equipped with log forks for loading trucks. This new machine seems to be working out quite well on the job.

Rain and snow do not seem to have hampered logging operations as yet and a good volume of logs is still coming from the woods. The new Caterpillar 12 road grader is doing a good job of keeping the roads in top condition.



On the green end day shift of the 8' lathe we have Galen Clifford, Paul Minton, James Jenkins, Junior Minton, Marvin Jahnke, Raymond Craft, Wayne Clymer and Lewis Parker who is hidden by the conveyor.